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FM AMEMBASSY PORT AU PRINCE
TO SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE 9397
COMNAVBASE GTMO BAY CUBA IMMEDIATE

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E.O. 11652: N/A
TAGS: PDIP, HA
SUBJ: LUCIEN RIGAUD ESCAPE

REF: A. COMNAVBASE GTMO 241330Z (NOTAL)
B. COMNAVBASE GTMO 241331Z (NOTAL)

1. EMBASSY HAS SO FAR RECEIVED NO PRESS INQUIRIES REGARDING RIGAUD'S WHEREABOUTS BUT WILL ACKNOWLEDGE HIS PRESENCE IN GUANTANAMO IF ASKED.

2. EMBASSY BELIEVES THAT MICHEL ANDRE BOURQUIN NAMED IN REF B IS BROTHER OF RIGAUD'S SWISS WIFE, CLAIRE-LISE RIGAUD. RIGAUD'S STORY, REPORTED REF B, APPEARS TO BE CHARACTERISTIC MIXTURE OF FACT AND FANCY. RIGAUD WAS NEVER PROMISED - NOR TO OUR KNOWLEDGE HAS HE REQUESTED - POLITICAL ASYLUM IN THE U.S. SINCE HIS WIFE IS SWISS, HE PRESUMABLY WOULD NOT NEED TO REQUEST ASYLUM IN ORDER TO ENTER SWITZERLAND. EMBASSY DOES NOT KNOW BASIS ON WHICH RIGAUD CLAIMS ACQUAINTANCE WITH SECRETARY VANCE.

3. WENDELL RAWLS JR. (REF A) IS NEW YORK TIMES CORRESPONDENT WHO HAS WRITTEN A NUMBER OF ARTICLES LINKING RIGAUD TO THE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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INVESTIGATION OF CONGRESSMAN FLOOD, INCLUDING A LONG PIECE IN THE NEW YORK TIMES MAGAZINE OF MAY 14, 1978.

4. EMBASSY UNDERSTANDS THAT QUESTION OF EXTENSION OF "U.S. JURISDICTION" TO GUANTANAMO BEING DISCUSSED BY JUSTICE AND STATE. IN THAT CONNECTION, WE WONDER WHETHER AFFIRMATIVE DECISION WITH REFERENCE TO RIGAUD WOULD

ALSO APPLY TO ALL OTHER HAITIANS ARRIVING GUANTANAMO. IF
SO, WOULD HAITIAN EMIGRANTS ARRIVING GUANTANAMO HENCEFORTH BE
ENTITLED TO SAME PROCEDURES AS THOSE EMIGRANTS ARRIVING IN
U.S. PROPER?

5. COMNAVBASE GUANTANAMO BAY CUBA IS REQUESTED TO TRANSMIT
COPIES OF SUBSEQUENT MESSAGES ON THIS SUBJECT TO DEPART-
MENT OF STATE AND EMBASSY PORT AU PRINCE BY IMMEDIATE
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